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Takayuki NOMOTO et al.)	
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Application No.: 10/006,987)	
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Filed: December 10, 2001)	
)	Mail Stop Amendment
For: OPTICAL DISC HAVING PITS OF)	
DESIRED TAPERED ANGLE)	

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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the document listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in § 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of either a Final Office Action, a Notice of Allowance, or any action that otherwise closes prosecution in the above-referenced application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **\$180.00** as specified by § 1.17(p) to **Deposit Account No. 50-0310**, for this Information Disclosure Statement under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

The listed JP 10-320835 document was cited in an Office Action issued on September 14, 2004 by the Korean Patent Office in a counterpart foreign Korean Patent Application. For relevance, a copy of the English-language translation of the Abstract of this Japanese-language document is enclosed for the Examiner's consideration. Also for relevance, a copy of the

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Korean Office Action issued on September 14, 2004 and an English-language translation of the same are also enclosed for the Examiner's consideration.

A copy of the listed document is attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed document and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The Korean Office Action also lists KR 2001-53151. That document is not attached hereto because it was previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement in this application on August 6, 2004.

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Respectfully submitted,

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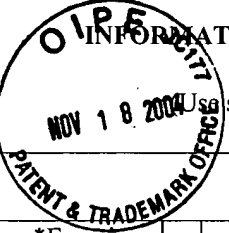
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